### 2010 State Damage Prevention Program Grants Progress Report Funding Opportunity Number: DTPH56-10-SN-0001 CFDA Number: 20.720

Award Number: DTPH56-10-G-PHPS13

**Project Title:** Dig Safely New York State Damage Prevention

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#### Specific Objective(s) of the Agreement

Under this grant agreement, Dig Safely New York, Inc. will facilitate 16 educational training breakfasts for excavators, facility operators, municipalities, and all other stakeholders. The proposed 16 events will provide outreach in areas of the State that do not have an excavator seminar but have a damage rate which indicates a need for training.

### Workscope

Under the terms of this grant agreement, the Grantee will address the following elements listed in 49 USC §60134 through the actions it has specified in its Application.

• Element (4): Participation by operators, excavators, and other stakeholders in the development and implementation of effective employee training programs to ensure that operators, the one call center, the enforcing agency, and the excavators have partnered to design and implement training for the employees of operators, excavators, and locators.

Accomplishments for this period (Item 1 under Article IX, <u>Section 9.01 Progress Report</u>: "A comparison of actual accomplishments to the objectives established for the period.")

We are progressing nicely on with the facilitation of 16 educational breakfasts. As of August 31<sup>st</sup> we have held five of the breakfasts and have a very busy September and October ahead. The schedule of events is as follows:

Thursday, June 17, 2010 Niagara Falls Thursday, July 15, 2010 Batavia Tuesday, July 20, 2010 Cuba Wednesday, July 28, 2010 Horseheads Wednesday, August 25, 2010 Plattsburgh Monday, September 13, 2010 Waterloo Wednesday, September 15, 2010 Ilion Tuesday, September 21, 2010 Watertown Tuesday, September 21, 2010 Suffern Wednesday, September 22, 2010 Oswego Wednesday, September 22, 2010 Kingston Thursday, October 14, 2010 Ghent Wednesday, October 20, 2010 Canastota Thursday, October 21, 2010 Schenectady

| Wednesday, October 27, 2010 | Malone   |
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| Wednesday, October 27, 2010 | Cortland |

This objective is on target with the accomplishments outlined in the grant proposal.

# Quantifiable Metrics/Measures of Effectiveness (Item 2 under Article IX, <u>Section 9.01</u> <u>Project Report</u>: "Where the output of the project can be quantified, a computation of the cost per unit of output.")

To date five events have been held with positive results. Based on the participants questions and feedback from many of the Pipeline and LDC operators the event locations have been held in areas where underground education was very necessary. In many venues, over one third of the audience was attending a Dig Safely New York training event for the first time. This result indicates the metrics used to determine grant locations based on damage ratios was relatively accurate. Below is a chart of events with corresponding attendance.

| DPC    | Event date               | City          | Location                 | Attendance |
|--------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|
|        |                          |               | Niagara Falls Conference |            |
| WNYDPC | Thursday, June 17, 2010  | Niagara Falls | Center                   | 67         |
| UCCDPC | Thursday, July 15, 2010  | Batavia       | Bohn's Restaurant        | 68         |
| WNYDPC | Tuesday, July 20, 2010   | Cuba          | Moonwinks Resturant      | 54         |
| STDPC  | Wednesday, July 28, 2010 | Horseheads    | Wings of Eagles          | 124        |
|        | Wednesday, August 25,    |               |                          |            |
| NEDPC  | 2010                     | Plattsburgh   | American Legion Post 20  | 46         |

## Issues, Problems or Challenges (Item 3 under Article IX, <u>Section 9.01 Project Report</u>: "The reasons for slippage if established objectives were not met.")

The project is progressing on schedule, and there are no issues, problems or challenge to report.

### **Mid-term Financial Status Report**

The mid-term financial report has been sent as a separate attachment to the AA

### Plans for Next Period (Remainder of Grant)

The plan for the remainder of the grant period is to proceed with the final 11 Excavator Breakfasts.

### Requests of the AOTR and/or PHMSA

<sup>&</sup>quot;No actions requested at this time"